



## Albert Garrett Burts

December 19, 1928 - April 2, 2018

Albert G. Burts was born on December 19, 1928 in Alexandria, Virginia to Eunice and Mabel Burts. He transitioned from this life to life eternal on Monday, April 2, 2018 at the Walter Reed National Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland surrounded by his loving family.

“Eggie”, as he was affectionately known and called, was educated in the Alexandria Public School System. He graduated from Parker-Gray High School and was an outstanding athlete especially in football and basketball. He was a member of the famous Alexandria Rams.

He met and married the former Marjorie A. Charity on January 24, 1959.

Eggie enjoyed a stellar military career in the U.S. Army and the U.S. Air Force. He served his country for 20 plus years and was Honorably Discharged in 1973 having achieved the rank of Staff Sergeant. During his tour of duty, he was stationed in Korea, Greenland, Germany, Scott Air Force Base in Illinois, Offutt Air Force Base in Nebraska, and other areas in the continental United States.

After his military service, he began a career in the Department of Education and the Department of Commerce racking up more than 25 years of federal government service.

He was initially baptized at Roberts Memorial United Methodist Church and was a member for many years. In 2013, he joined the Ebenezer Baptist Church under the pastorate of Rev. Albert P. Jackson and was baptized on New Year's Eve.

Eggie was an avid bowler and a true DIE HARD Washington Redskins fan – win or lose, he was their biggest cheerleader and would debate you for hours about their greatness!

In March 2007, he “appointed himself” the Assistant to the Assistant Director of the Women's Ecumenical Choir. He served faithfully in this capacity for 10 years. He was the choir's biggest supporter.

Eggie was the life of any event and had a strong opinion about any subject that was brought up.

He loved his family dearly, especially his grandchildren. This was made evident by the tender care he received from his grandson, Christian, and great-granddaughter Kyree, during his illness. He was a great supporter of the youth in Alexandria and his church. His stature was small, but his spirit was huge and everyone loved him. He will be sorely missed by the entire Alexandria community.

Eggie leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife of nearly 60 years, Marjorie A. Burts; 3 daughters, Karen Callaham, Dr. Thea James and Kendra Gleaton (Kevin); 10 grandchildren, Kwame, Yasmine, David, Christian, Cierra, Ryan, Tyeshia, Tanisha, Zoe, and Kianna; 7 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great grandchild; 1 god-daughter, La Donna Williams (Quentin); special grandchildren Tyree Ward and Logan Williams; 2 nieces Wendy Henderson and Glenda Harrison (Joe); 1 special son, Robert Brown; 1 brother-in-law,

Deacon Emeritus William Charity; 1 sister-in-law, Mary Charity; special WEC choir brothers, Deacon Raymond Anderson, Frankie Tolson and Minister Alphonzo Terrell. He is also survived by a loving host of nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, son David Alan Burts, great-granddaughter Trinity Callaham, sister Barbara Proctor and brother Luther Burts.

# Cemetery Details

## Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA

# Previous Events

## Viewing

APR 9. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ebenezer Baptist Church  
909 Queen Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

## funeral service

APR 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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909 Queen Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

## Interment

JUN 8. 1:00 PM (ET)

Arlington National Cemetery  
Arlington, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ Harry ChRity lit a candle in memory of Albert Garrett Burts

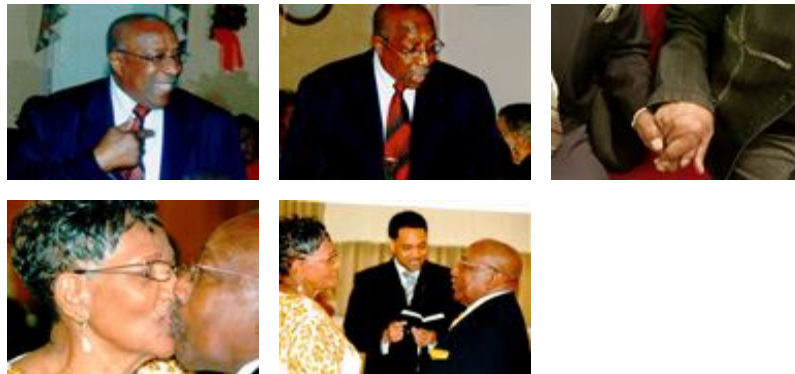


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“ Please accept my heartfelt condolences for your loss. My wife and I worked with Eggie at NOAA. When he first started working there I was introduced to him by his old friend and Air Force buddy Walt Arnold. Walt said “this is Eggie Burts “ so that’s what I always called him. It wasn’t until later that I heard the story about how that got started.

Eggie was a hard worker who was loved by all of his coworkers. He was a great storyteller with a great sense of humor, you couldn’t talk to him without laughing. That’s how I will remember him always. We miss him already.

*John and Carol Rogers*

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**John Rogers** - April 06, 2018 at 11:18 AM